any other time, or new license applied for, unless the pilot has been carried to sea or confined by sickness so as to prevent his application within that period; and the board may renew any license or not, as they may think proper.

P. G L., (1860,) art. 74, sec. 8. 1853, ch. 214, sec. 1.

8. Every first rate pilot shall pay two dollars, and every second rate pilot shall pay one dollar and fifty cents, and every third rate pilot shall pay one dollar, to the register of the board for such renewal.

Ibid. sec. 9. 1853, ch. 214, sec. 8.

9. The board of examiners shall not grant to any person under the age of twenty-one years a warrant or license generally known as a first rate branch.

Ibid sec. 10. 1853, ch. 214, sec. 8.

10. The board of examiners may increase or decrease the number of pilots, as they may deem necessary for the protection of the commercial interests of the State

Ibid sec 11. 1853, ch. 214, sec 2.

11. Every member of the board, before he proceeds to examine any person applying for a warrant, shall take the following oath before some justice of the peace: I, ———, do swear that I will impartially examine and inquire into the capacity, skill and experience of the applicant or applicants in the art of piloting in the Chesapeake bay, and the rivers thereof, and will admit them as I find them qualified; or reject them if I shall find them unqualified, without favor, affection or reward.

Ibid. sec. 12 1853, ch 214, sec 4

12. It shall not be lawful for any person to act as pilot, not-withstanding his having obtained a warrant as aforesaid, unless he or the company to which he belongs shall keep one sufficient boat of at least twenty-six feet keel, straight rabit and decked, and well found, under the penalty of one hundred and fifty dollars for every vessel such person shall undertake to conduct or pilot.